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In Re Application No. **Akira Suyama, et al.**

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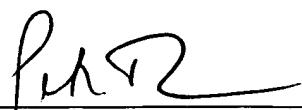
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provisionally elect Group I, Claims 17-25, drawn to a method of detecting or quantifying a target nucleic acid having a predetermined sequence in a specimen, classified in class 435, subclass 91.2.

In view of the foregoing, examination on the merits of the elected claims, at an early date, is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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